

DELAWARE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD

The Townsend Building
401 Federal Street, Suite 2
Dover, Delaware 19901

Meeting Minutes

Department of Education
Cabinet Room
Dover, DE 19904
April 4, 2019
5:00 P.M.

Members Present: Gerald Allen, Amber Augustus, Celeste Bunting, Jennifer Campbell, Terri Eros, Holly Grandfield, Sandra Hall, David Kohan, Byron Murphy, Fran O'Malley, Darlene O'Neill, Loretta Phipps-Greig, and Mary Pinkston

Members Absent: Earle Dempsey, Darren Guido, and Sue Smith

Others Present: Chris Kenton, PSB Executive Director; Laura Makransky, Deputy Attorney General, representing the PSB; Rick Lane, PSB Administrative Assistant; Jon Neubauer, DOE; Wendy Modzelewski, DOE; Chip Simpson, DOE; Randy Fisher, DOE

I. Opening

A. **Call to Order:** Byron Murphy called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

B. **Roll Call**

Rick Lane conducted roll call for the meeting with 13 members present (Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston).

C. **Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Fran O'Malley and seconded by Terri Eros to approve the April 4, 2019 agenda. **The motion carried unanimously** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

D. **Approval of Minutes**

1. **August 2, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Due to an insufficient number of members present, the August 2018 minutes were not able to be approved.

2. **March 7, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes**

A motion to approve the March 7, 2019 meeting minutes as presented was made by Holly Grandfield and seconded by Terri Eros. **The motion carried unanimously** (10 – Yes:

Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No; 3 – Abstain: Allen, Hall, and O'Neill).

3. March 7, 2019 Executive Session Minutes

A motion to approve the March 7, 2019 executive session minutes was made by Terri Eros and seconded by Amber Augustus. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (10 – Yes: Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No; 3 – Abstain: Allen, Hall, and O'Neill).

4. March 28, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes

The Board did not take any action on this item.

5. March 28, 2019 Executive Session Minutes

A motion to approve the March 28, 2019 executive session minutes was made by Sandra Hall and seconded by Holly Grandfield. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (10 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, and O'Neill; 0 – No; 3 – Abstain: O'Malley, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston).

II. Executive Directors Report

Chris Kenton reported that he:

- Met monthly with the DOE Licensure and Certification Office
- Met monthly with Associate Secretary Jon Neubauer
- Met monthly with Jenna Ahner, Executive Director of the State Board of Education
- Met with Secretary of Education, Dr. Susan Bunting
- Presented to the H.R. Directors at monthly DASPA meeting
- Researched Praxis information for Art, Music, and Theatre
- Held a meeting with Jenna Ahner of State Board and Deb Stevens of DSEA in regards to National Board Certification
- Held a meeting with Senator Sokola, Deb Stevens and Kristin Dwyer from DSEA, and several National Board Certified Teachers to discuss steps moving forward for reinstatement of their 12%
- Researched Performance Assessments and the current exemptions
- Worked with the Finance Department around the PSB budget for the remainder of the year
- Delivered hearing files to the New Castle County Courthouse
- Delivered a Professional Development presentation to Delmar School District with Jon Neubauer and Chip Simpson
- Has met several times with Deb Hansen regarding the arts regulations up for publication this evening
- Has had several discussions with Lynn Fulon-Archer from the Department around the Immersion Programs in Delaware.
- Has held several discussions with Jon Neubauer and Wendy Modzelewski regarding Regulation 1517 - Paraeducator
- Has had several conversations with Jon Neubauer and Monica Gant from the Department around the area of Computer Science
- Has held several discussion with the Department around House Bill 100, and how it might impact several PSB regulations

- Has worked with the Department on all Special Education regulations. He is expecting to get some recommended changes from the Department on these soon.
- Attended a meeting with an Administrator from Millsboro Middle School related to an issue with hiring a reading specialist

III. Other

A. PSB License Disciplinary Action, File 2018-01

A motion was made by Gerald Allen and seconded by Fran O'Malley to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters of a confidential nature. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

A motion was made by Terri Eros and seconded by Holly Grandfield to exit Executive Session. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

A motion was made by Celeste Bunting and seconded by Gerald Allen to adopt the decision of the hearing officer with the amendment as specified to the discipline. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

A motion was made by Holly Grandfield and seconded by Celeste Bunting to take a five minute recess. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

IV. Presentations

None

V. Action Items

A. Regulation 1510 – Issuance of Initial License (for Publication)

Chris Kenton presented several changes to Regulation 1510 – Issuance of Initial License that had been presented since the regulation was last revised.

A motion was made by Amber Augustus and seconded by Terri Eros to approve Regulation 1510 – Issuance of Initial License for Publication. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

B. Regulation 1511 – Issuance and Renewal of Continuing License (for Publication)

Chris Kenton presented several changes to Regulation 1511 – Issuance and Renewal of Continuing License that had been presented since the regulation was last revised.

A motion was made by Loretta Phipps-Greig and seconded by Holly Grandfield to approve Regulation 1511 – Issuance and Renewal of Continuing License for Publication. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O’Malley, O’Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

C. Regulation 1549 – Dance Teacher (for Publication)

Chris Kenton, Wendy Modzelewski, and Deb Hansen presented several changes to Regulation 1549 – Dance Teacher.

A motion was made by Sandra Hall and seconded by Darlene O’Neill to approve Regulation 1549 – Dance Teacher for Publication. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O’Malley, O’Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

D. Regulation 1558 – Theatre Teacher (for Publication)

Chris Kenton, Wendy Modzelewski, and Deb Hansen presented several changes to Regulation 1558 – Theatre Teacher.

A motion was made by Terri Eros and seconded by Loretta Phipps-Greig to approve Regulation 1558 – Theatre Teacher as amended for Publication. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O’Malley, O’Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

E. Regulation 1560 – Visual Arts Teacher (for Publication)

Chris Kenton, Wendy Modzelewski, and Deb Hansen presented several changes to Regulation 1560 – Visual Arts Teacher.

A motion was made by Loretta Phipps-Greig and seconded by Fran O’Malley to approve Regulation 1560 – Visual Arts Teacher for Publication. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O’Malley, O’Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

F. Regulation 1563 – Music Teacher (for Publication)

Chris Kenton, Wendy Modzelewski, and Deb Hansen presented several changes to Regulation 1563 – Music Teacher.

A motion was made by Fran O’Malley and seconded by Sandra Hall to approve Regulation 1563 – Music Teacher for Publication. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O’Malley, O’Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

VI. Discussion Items

None

VII. PSB Standing Committees

A. Licensure and Certification Criteria Committee

The next meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in the Cabinet Room at the Townsend Building.

B. Professional Development and Associated Compensation Criteria Committee

The next meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the Cabinet Room at the Townsend Building.

VIII. Other

A. PSB Personnel Matter

A motion was made by Terri Eros and seconded by Gerald Allen to move to executive session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

The Board entered into executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

A motion was made by Gerald Allen and seconded by Terri Eros to return to open session. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

A motion was made by Celeste Bunting and seconded by Gerald Allen to approve what the Board discussed during executive session. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

IX. Public Comment

None

X. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Terri Eros and seconded by Celeste Bunting. ***The motion carried unanimously*** (13 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston; 0 – No).

The meeting adjourned at 9:34 p.m.